



U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

**3206-0235, Letter Reply to Request for Information,
RI 20-64; Former Spouse Survivor Annuity Election, RI 20-64A; Information on
Electing a Survivor Annuity for Your Former Spouse, RI 20-64B**

AGENCY: U. S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: 60-Day Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management (OPM) offers the general public and other Federal agencies the opportunity to comment on an extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection request, (ICR) OMB No. 3206-0235, Letter Reply to Request for Information, Form RI 20-64 and Information on Electing a Survivor Annuity for Your Former Spouse, Form RI 20-64A. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. Law 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35) as amended by the Clinger-Cohen Act (Pub. L. 104-106), OPM is soliciting comments for this collection.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

ADDRESS: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20415, Attention: Alberta Butler, Room 2347E or sent via electronic mail to Alberta.Butler@opm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the Retirement Services

Publications Team, Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 3316-L, Washington, DC 20415, Attention: Cyrus S. Benson, or sent via electronic mail to Cyrus.Benson@opm.gov or faxed to (202) 606-0910.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments that:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of OPM, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. Evaluate the accuracy of OPM's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Form RI 20-64, Letter Reply to Request for Information, is used by the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) to provide information about the amount of annuity payable after a survivor reduction, to explain the annuity reductions required to pay for the survivor benefit, and to give the beginning rate of survivor annuity. Form RI 20-64A, Former Spouse Survivor Annuity Election, is used by the CSRS to obtain a survivor benefits election from annuitants who are eligible to elect to provide survivor benefits for a former spouse. Form RI 20-64B, Information on Electing a Survivor Annuity for Your Former Spouse, is a pamphlet that provides important information to retirees under the CSRS who want to provide a survivor annuity for a former spouse.

ANALYSIS:

Agency: Retirement Operations, Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management

Title: Letter Reply to Request for Information; Former Spouse Survivor Annuity Election

OMB Number: 3206-0235

Frequency: On occasion

Affected Public: Individual or Households

Number of Respondents: 38

Estimated Time Per respondent: 45 minutes for RI 20-64A and 8 minutes for RI 20-64

Total Burden Hours: 24

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